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1. ECON/COUNS CALLED ON UDAGAWA AND KATAKURA, HEAD AND DEPUTY HEAD RESPECTIVELY OF FONOFF'S INTERNATIONAL RESOURCES DIVISION, OCTOBER 15. FONOFF OFFICIALS RE-AFFIRMED STRONG INTEREST OF GOJ IN EARLY CONCLUSION OF ENERGY R&D AGREEMENT AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT THEY WOULD BE ABLE PROVIDE FORMAL RESPONSE TO US DRAFT WITHIN WEEK OR SO. THEY INDICATED THAT SINCE QTE POINT OF COORDINATION UNQTE ISSUE CAUSING SOME INTRA-GOJ PROBLEMS, CONSIDERATION BEING GIVEN TO SUGGESTING DELETION OF ARTICLE IV OF US DRAFT (AND PRESUMABLY REFERENCE TO POINT OF COORDINATION IN ARTICL V).

2. ECON/COUNS TOOK OCCASION TO REITERATE STRONG USG INTEREST IN EARLY CONCLUSION OF AGREEMENT AND, IN PARTICULAR, IN SIGNING AGREEMENT AT TIME OF GOVERNOR LOVE'S VISIT. UDAGAWA AND KATAKURA RECOGNIZED DESIRABILITY OF WORKING TOWARD SUCH A DEADLINE, BUT WERE NON-COMMITTAL RE CHANCES FOR ACHIEVING THAT GOAL.

3. ECON/COUNS GAVE UDAGAWA AND KATAKURA COPIES OF THREE
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SUMMARIES TRANSMITTED REFS B AND C. FONOFF OFFICIALS

EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR SUMMARIES, WHICH, THEY
BELIEVED, WOULD SERVE TO EXPEDITE PREPARATION OF SUM-
MARIES BY GOJ. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION, THEY ASSERTED
THAT EXCHANGE OF SUMMARIES SHOULD NOT CONSTITUTE
PREREQUISITE TO CONCLUSION OF AGREEMENT.
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